GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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REHABILITATION OF BEGGARS HAWKERS AND STREET CHILDREN
ANANTA NAYAK

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to implement some central schemes for the rehabilitation of beggars, howkers and street children begging in various forms in the Metropoliton cities and particularly in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to implement such schemes?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment deals with issues of childrenupto the age of eighteen years. It implements `An Integrated Programme for Street Children` which aims at prevention of destitution and its consequences amongst children without homes and family ties. The programme has provisions of shelter, nutrition, health care, sanitation and hygiene, safe drinking water, education and recreational facilities and protection against abuse and exploitation to destitute and neglected children.

Under this programme, a total amount of Rs. 8.06 crores have been released to various non-governmental organizations during 2001-02.